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Twelve Queries humbly proposed to the Consideration of the Parliament and Army, &c.

I.

WHether he that first betrayed his *Trust* as a *Souldier*; next, the *Common-wealth*, as a *Privy Councellour*; The *Mouth* of a *Protector*, for a *Single Person* and the *Other House*; For *King*, *Lords*, and *Bishops*; For and thing subservient to his *Pride*, *Ambition*, and *Covetousnesse*, Be fit to be trusted with the Custody of the *Commonwealths Great Seal*; or like to administer Justice indifferently, according to *Equity* and *Good Conscience*.

II

Whether he that hath *Malignancy*, *Pride*, and *Ambition* rooted in his *Heart*; The *Other House* in his *Belly*; And a *King* in his *Head*: A Countenancer of *Delinquents*; a Protector of *Malefactors*, *peevish* and *partial*, be a fit person to be *Lord Chief Justice of England* under a *Free State*?

III.

Whether a *Dark Lantern Man*, a *Parliament-Breaker*, an *Instrument-Maker*, a *Protectorian*, a Cabinet E—— Conncellour, and a *Kingship* Contriver, be a fit person to be *Lord Chief Justice* of the *Common Bench* under a *Free State*?

IV.

Whether a *Protectorian Trapanner*, a *Kingship Driver*, the Brethrens *Accuser*, Our *Laws* and *Freedomes* grand *Infringer*, a *Commonwealth* Hater; even He who causelesly malitiously and arbitrarily *imprisoned*, *banished*, and *starved* so many *English* men, to carry on this Evil Design of *Kingship*, be a fit person to be *Secretary* of our newly restored *Free State*?

V.

Whether an *Ambodexter*, the *Judges Comptroller* over the *Lawyers*, an *Insulter*, *Wealth* without *Wit*, *Words* without *Law*, *Honour* without *Honesty*, a *Protectorian*, a *Kingling*, a *Post-master*, or what you please, be a fit person to be *Attorney General* of *England*, under a *Free State*?

VI.

Whether a *Commissioner of Array*, a Compounded *Delinquent*, an *Agent* for the *Popish party*, a person *expelled* the late *Parliament*, or a *Parliament Colonel*, *faithful* to their *Interest*, be fittest to be *Attorney General* in *Wales*?

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VII.

Whether *Law* without *Religion*, *wealth* and yet *Covetous*, the *Armies Disbander*, the *Lawyers Misleader*; and the *Grand Advocate* for a *Single Person*, and the *Other House*, against all *Reason*, and his own *Conscience*, be a fit person to be the *Commonwealths Serjeant* at Law.

VIII.

Whether a *Kingling*, a *Worldling*, a *Changeling*, full of *pride* and *words*, lesse of *Law*, will best befit an *Attorney* of the *Dutchy*?

IX.

Whether a *Knave* or a *Coward* hath most *honesty*? And whether both centred in one, born to 5 l. *per Annum*, (bred accordingly on the *Welsh Mountains*) which in 10 years he hath multiplyed to 5000 l. *per annum*: An *oppresser* of his *Countrey*, a *Parliament-Breaker*, a *Corrupter* and *Debaucher* of *Members* in the last *Parliament* at the vast Charge of the *Publique*; A *Presbyterian*, an *Independent*, a *Cavalier*, a *Defrauder* of the *Publique Revenue*; A thorough-passed *Protectorian*; For and against the *Godly*; For a *Single Person and the other House*; For *King, Lords and Bishops*; For the *Cavaliers*; For the *Jews*; For any thing, and for every body that will reward him: Whether this Man be fit to be intrusted one of the Peoples *Representators* or *Councel of State*, or any other Place in the *Common-wealth*? *Witness the* 1000 li. *of the* Portugal *Merchants*.

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X.

Whether ſuch Officers and Souldiers, and all others in the preſent Parliament and Army, and other Authorities, who have teſtified their diſ-affection to the Preſent Government ſet up, and adhered to the *Single Perſon*, and the *Other Houſe*, Contrary to the Acts of *Parliament* in 1648 & 1649, ought not to be ſpeedily amoved; And ſeveral Mulcts impoſed on them at the Diſcretion of the *PARLIAMENT*, who in ſtrictneſſe of Law may be ſaid to have forfeited Life and Eſtate?

XI.

That honeſt well-affected Perſons may be put in their ſteads. And in your proceedings herein, Whether it be for your Intereſt to prefer only ſuch as are guifted or Congregational-men? Or rather ſuch as are fit and qualified according to the nature of their Imployments, and of the beſt Intereſt in their Countries, to ſtrengthen your hands; and that Factions may be avoided, leſt you indanger our *Peace*, and force the one party to comply with the Common-Enemy. But where Religious men may be found qualified for places, it is conceived fit they be preferred. For all godly men are not fit for Arms, nor Skilful and Couragious to Lead and Conduct Troops and armed Men; nor to determine and judge of Controverſies: For all are not alike guifted. Beware of Commiſſionating mean unqualified perſons, and leſt you be deceived by *Hypocrites*, who pretend much affection

affection to the Cauſe and Intereſt of the Nation, and under colour of their zeal to Religion, ſeek their own advantages; which will bring a ſcorn and contempt on your Government, and provoke others to adhere to the Enemies thereof, and indanger our *Peace* and *wellfare*.

XII.

Whether the *Lawes* and *Lawyers* ought not to be Regulated; Tediouſneſſe and exceſſive Charges of their proceedings abridged and eaſed; and Mulcts layd on the Capital Officers, untill Publique Debts be ſatisfied?

FINIS.